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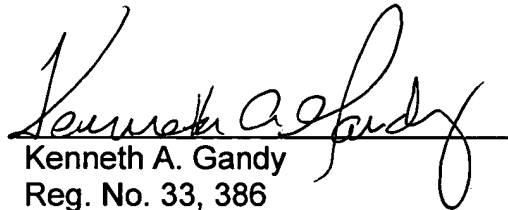
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure embodied in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the items of information listed on the enclosed PTO Form PTO/SB08A and/or PTO/SB08B. This information has not been previously submitted in this application, and has not been heretofore cited by the Examiner. Copies of cited items are enclosed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98.

The identified information, taken alone or in combination with other art, provides information relating to the subject matter of the invention, but fails to teach, disclose or suggest the present invention. The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(b).

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Respectfully submitted,

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